

NAH TAH WAHSH, PSA
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2019

Present: Jackie Kang, Molly Meshigaud, Connee Sagataw, Marilyn Shawano, Charles Wandahsega, Geneva Wandahsega

Absent: Shianne Uskilith (excused)

Guest(s): Tom Miller, Lacey Kinnart, Betty LaPointe, Melissa Ledford, Lisa Bedard

Location: School Conference Room

Jackie Kang, Interim Chairperson, called meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

- **Mission Statement recited by members**
- **Agenda**
 - See handout.
 - Motion to approve agenda made by: Molly Meshigaud
 - Seconded by: Charles Wandahsega
 - Motion carried 5-0-0.
- **Meeting Minutes**
 - See handout for November 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes made by: Molly Meshigaud
 - Seconded by: Charles Wandahsega
 - Motion carried 5-0-0.
- **Oath of Office**
 - Oath was given by Connee Sagataw.
- **Election of Officers**
 - Hold off due to attendance.
- **Financials**
 - Midwest Professionals (auditor) is having problem getting us the information. Was told we would have it by the end of last week.
 - So far, it has delayed us two state-aid payments. We will receive the funds once the audit is turned in.
 - Financially, it does not affect us, as we are in a good position.
 - Tom is working with Curt at Midwest Professionals to see when we will receive the report.
- **NMU CSO 2019-20 Contract Amendment**
 - Tom working with Attorney Joe Urban.
- **NMU Charter Re-Authorization Update**
 - CSO responded to our application packet with 4 questions to answer and submit by January 10th.
 - Meeting to be held on January 16 with Jackie Kang, Tom Miller, Joe Urban, NMU CSO Office, and their attorney to look at the contract.
 - If granted a new contract, NMU will determine the length.
 - This process will cost us about \$20k in attorney fees.
 - We have an excellent team of school employees working on this application packet.
- **Annual Conflict of Interest Forms**

- Filled out and turned in by: Marilyn Shawano, Molly Meshigaud, Jackie Kang, Charles Wandahsega, Connee Sagataw, and Geneva Wandahsega.
 - Lacey will give to Shianne to fill out and will send to NMU.
- **Board Self-Evaluation**
 - Evaluations in packet. Members to fill it out and turn into Tom or Lacey.
- **Superintendent Search**
 - 4 Applications submitted so far.
 - One person is retired; one person from out of state, one person out of Menominee, and an in-house employee, Scott Brant has applied.
 - Tom recommends looking for a couple more applications then sit down and have an interview.
- **Delta-Schoolcraft Association of School Boards Representative**
 - Jackie Kang will be the new representative, and will invite another member with her as their schedule allows.
- **CBA's through MARESA MASB**
 - See handouts. Workshops available for board members to attend.
- **PA436 Emergency Operations Plan**
 - See handout.
 - Motion to accept the PA436 Emergency Operations Plan made by: Geneva Wandahsega
 - Seconded by: Molly Meshigaud
 - Motion carried: 5-0-0.
- **Teacher Compensation Process**
 - Has been slow lately due to the Reauthorization Application.
 - School Reps are: Melissa Ledford, Lisa Bedard and Dan Kleikamp.
 - Admin and reps will meet in the first week in January and then meet regularly.
 - New pay will be retroactive to October 1, 2019.
- **Request for Tuition Payment**
 - See letters. To talk about during Hannahville Indian School board meeting.
- **School Security**
 - Working out bugs in the system and the flow of operations within the school to keep the school safe and secure.
 - Range is the contractor for the camera system and secured doors.
- **Construction Progress Update**
 - Working with the construction team to get a close on all of the projects.
 - Working with Scott Herioux on breakdowns of each project.
 - Question about fire wall in the youth center. Tom will look into it.
- **Behavior Intervention Specialist**
 - See job description.
 - Will look into this for the Hannahville Indian School as opposed to Nah Tah Wahsh.
- **Attendance Update**
 - Going well – have been sending out letters, having meetings with parents and working with Kelly Arnold.

- **New Business**
 - **Equipment**
 - Rod does have them. Tom will ask him to return it and it will be stored in the Youth Center.
 - There are 2 Go-Pros in Tom Miller's desk.
- **Public Comment**
 - Question about having a music teacher. Discussion amongst Board.
 - Tom will look into this.
 - Student Cell Phone Policy question from Lisa Bedard
 - Policy was put into the attorney and waiting to hear back from them.
 - Policy in place now is from the Charter Institute.
 - Board would like all teachers to have a copy of the policy that is currently in place.
 - Cell Phone reimbursement question from Lisa Bedard
 - Staff are required to use the WhatsApp to contact the behavior staff (use of private phones for work). Some people get reimbursement, and some do not. Who qualifies for reimbursement?
 - Tom will look into this.
 - Blankets
 - Students have been bringing blankets to school. Students should not have blankets here.
 - Tom will look into this.
- **Adjourn**
 - Motion to adjourn meeting: Molly Meshigaud
 - Seconded by: Geneva Wandahsega
 - Motion carried 5-0-0.

Meeting adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

Recorded & Prepared by: Lacey Kinnart

Approved on: 1-9-2020

Jackie B
Signature

Board President

Board Secretary